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(U) NATIONAL

(U) New Jersey—Florida Man Pleads Guilty to Hacking, Spamming Scheme

(U) Newark—A Florida man pleaded guilty yesterday to charges stemming from his role in a wide-ranging hacking scheme that generated \$1.3 million through the hijacking of customer email accounts to send unsolicited "spam" messages, prosecutors said. Timothy Livingston, 31, who owned a spam company called A Whole Lot of Nothing LLC, admitted to creating computer programs with another defendant that sent spam in a manner that conceals its origin and bypasses spam filters. Prosecutors had previously said the scheme that targeted personal information of 60 million people.

SOURCE: 27 October 2016, [Reuters](#)

(U) Virginia—Ex-National Guardsman Pleads Guilty to Terror Charge

(U) Alexandria—A former member of the Virginia National Guard pleaded guilty yesterday in federal court to attempting to provide support to the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL). Mohamed Bailor Jalloh, 27, was arrested on 3 July after buying an AR-15 with the intention of launching an attack similar to that in Fort Hood in 2009. Court documents revealed Jalloh had traveled to Niger, sent money to the ISIL organization, and had been communicating with Abu Sa'ad Sudani, a now-deceased ISIL member who was plotting an attack in the United States. Jalloh is set to be sentenced in January and faces a maximum penalty of 20 years in prison.

SOURCE: 27 October 2016, [Washington Post](#)

(U) INTERNATIONAL

(U) Kenya—Man Shot Dead Outside US Embassy after Knife Attack

(U) Nairobi—A police officer shot and killed a man who stabbed him as he stood guard outside the US Embassy in Nairobi yesterday, authorities said. The man killed was a Kenyan national, police said, but they are not releasing his name while the case is under investigation. The US Embassy confirmed that a shooting had taken place outside its premises and said none of its staff members were involved. The attacker's motive was not immediately clear.

SOURCE: 27 October 2016, [CNN](#)

(U) Syria—Rebels Launch Offensive to Break Siege in Aleppo

(U) Aleppo—A coalition of Syrian insurgent groups said it had begun a major offensive today to break the month-long siege of eastern parts of Aleppo by government and Russian forces. At least 15 people were reportedly killed and 100 wounded in the government-controlled parts of the city. One attack on government positions was attributed to a French suicide bomber of the al-Qa'ida branch in Syria, according to an official from that group. A military airport to the east of Aleppo was also attacked, according to the rebels.

SOURCE: 28 October 2016, [New York Times](#) and [ABC News](#)

(U) Yemen—Houthis Launch Missile toward Saudi Holy City, Coalition Says

(U) Sanaa—Yemen's Houthi militia launched a ballistic missile toward Mecca yesterday, the Saudi-led

coalition intervening in Yemen's civil war on behalf of the government said in a statement. The Shi'ite Muslim Houthis confirmed the launch of a Burkan-1 ballistic missile into Saudi Arabia but said it had been aimed at King Abdulaziz International Airport in Jeddah, the kingdom's busiest airport. Coalition forces destroyed the missile 40 miles from the holy city before it could do any damage, and retaliated against the launch site inside Yemen.

SOURCE: 28 October 2016, [Reuters](#)

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